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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S TRIP: REACTION TO LUSAKA SPEECH

SUMMARY: NOTICIAS APRIL 29 CARRIED MIDDLE PAGE ARTICLE REPORTING SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL IN ZAIRE, CANCELLATION OF GHANA PORTION OF TRIP AND FAVORABLE REACTION TO SECRETARY'S LUSAKA ADDRESS. ARTICLE MENTIONED SECRETARY'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF U.S. \$12.5 MILLION AID OFFER TO MOZAMBIQUE. OVERALL TONE OF ARTICLE WAS POSITIVE. END SUMMARY.

1. NOTICIAS REPORTED THAT SECRETARY HAD ARRIVED KINSHASA FOR START OF TWO DAY TRIP WHICH WOULD INCLUDE TALKS WITH PRESIDENT MABUTO. ARTICLE THEN POINTED OUT THAT ZAIRE WAS ONE OF AMERICA'S MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS IN AFRICA AND THAT ZAIRE SUPPORTED U.S. POSITION IN ANGOLA.

2. NOTICIAS ALSO REPORTED THAT NEWS OF GHANA'S CANCELLATION OF SECRETARY'S STOP IN THE COUNTRY REACHED SECRETARY IN LUSAKA AND CAST A "SOMBER" MOOD OVER SECRETARY'S DELEGATION.

3. MAIN PART OF ARTICLE, HOWEVER, WAS DEVOTED TO WARM PRAISE SHOWERED ON SECRETARY'S SPEECH BY ZAMBIAN PRESIDENT KENNETH
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KAUNDA. NOTICIAS REPORTED THAT AFTER THE SECRETARY'S

SPEECH KAUNDA EMBRACED THE SECRETARY AND REPORTEDLY SAID THAT "I COULD NOT BELIEVE HE WAS THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE" SAYING WHAT HE SAID. PAPER REPORTED THAT PRESIDENT KAUNDA TOLD SECRETARY THAT HE COULD SPEAK FOR THE PRESIDENTS OF TANZANIA, MOZAMBIQUE AND BOTSWANDA, THAT THEY SUPPORTED SECRETARY'S LUSAKA PROPOSALS THAT CALLED FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL, ECONOMIC AND DIPLOMATIC WAR AGAINST THE SMITH REGIME.

4. NOTICIAS THEN HIGHLIGHTED ADDITIONAL SECTIONS OF SPEECH NOT CARRIED IN APRIL 28 EDITON. AMONG ITEMS CITED WERE SECRETARY'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF \$12.5 MILLION AID OFFER TO MOZAMBIQUE, APPEAL TO SOUTH AFRICAN TO ANNOUNCE A DEFINITIVE DATE FOR SELF DETERMINATION IN NAMIBIA, STATEMENT THAT USG SUPPORTS MAJORITY GOVERNMENTS AND SELF-DETERMINATION FOR ALL THE PEOPLES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.

5. COMMENT: FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE DAY MOZAMBIQUE NEWS COVERAGE OF SECRETARY'S TRIP HAS BEEN STRAIGHTFORWARD, RELATIVELY FREE OF GRATUITOUS EDITORIALIZING AND POSITIVE IN TONE. DIRECT COMMENTARY ABOUT SECRETARY'S SPEECH CONTINUES TO BE FAVORABLE.

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